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What is claimed is:

- 1-14 (cancelled)
- 15. (currently amended) An aqueous solution comprising one or more nucleoside triphosphates, wherein the pH value of said solution is between 8 and 10, the concentration of said nucleoside triphosphates is between about 2 to 200 mmol/l, and wherein said solution is free of stabilizing substances and a PCR function test is positive after about 90 days at a temperature of 35°C.
- 16. (previously presented) The solution of claim 15, wherein said nucleoside triphosphates are modified nucleoside triphosphates.
- 17. (cancelled)
- 18. (cancelled)
- 19. (previously presented) The solution of claim 15, wherein said nucleoside triphosphates are deoxynucleoside triphosphates.
- 20. (cancelled)
- 21. (previously presented) In a method for replicating nucleic acid fragments via a reaction in the presence of an enzyme with reverse transcriptase activity, said method comprising the addition of nucleoside triphosphates to said reaction, the improvement comprising the addition of a solution according to claim 15.
- 22. (previously presented) In a method for synthesizing nucleic acid sequences via a cycle sequencing reaction, said method comprising the addition of nucleoside triphosphates to said reaction, the improvement comprising the addition of a solution according to claim 15.

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- 23. (previously presented) In a method for random priming of nucleic acid sequences in a reaction, said method comprising the addition of nucleoside triphosphates to said reaction, the improvement comprising the addition of a solution according to claim 15.
- 24. (previously presented) In a method for nick translation of nucleic acid sequences in a reaction, said method comprising the addition of nucleoside triphosphates to said reaction, the improvement comprising the addition of a solution according to claim 15.
- 25. (currently amended) In a method for synthesizing nucleic acid sequences via a polymerase chain reaction, said method comprising the addition of nucleoside triphosphates to said reaction, the improvement comprising the use of a solution containing one or more nucleoside triphosphates, wherein the pH value of said solution is between 8 and 10, the concentration of said nucleoside triphosphates is between about 2 to 200 mmol/l, and wherein said solution is free of stabilizing substances and a PCR function test is positive after about 90 days at a temperature of 35°C.
- 26. (currently amended) An aqueous solution comprising one or more dideoxynucleotide triphosphates, wherein the pH value of said solution is between 8 and 10, the concentration of said nucleoside triphosphates is between about 2 to 200 mmol/l, and wherein said solution is free of stabilizing substances and a PCR function test is positive after about 90 days at a temperature of 35°C.